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NRC STAFF TO MEET WITH TVA TO DISCUSS RESTART OF UNIT 1 AT BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with Tennessee Valley Authority officials on Wednesday, August 7, to discuss the Browns Ferry Unit 1 Restart Project. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. EDT in the NRC Region II office, Sam Nunn Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street in Atlanta.

The Browns Ferry plant is located near Athens, Alabama, and all three units at the plant were shut down by TVA in 1985. After NRC approval, TVA returned Unit 2 to service in 1991 and Unit 3 in 1996. Unit 1 has remained shut down since 1985 and the NRC will review its readiness to operate again after TVA completes the activities needed for restart.

The August 7th meeting, involving NRC and TVA management, will focus on general TVA plans to complete the work necessary to restart the unit and the NRC role in inspecting those activities. That management meeting will be followed by a working level meeting between TVA and NRC staff to discuss coordination of NRC inspections with the TVA restart activities.

Both meetings are between the NRC and TVA but are open to observation by interested members of the public. NRC officials will also be available prior to the conclusion of both meetings to answer any questions observers may have.

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